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A separate Petition for Extension Of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the extension of time fee to Assignee's deposit account is included with this Amendment.

A Notice of Appeal is also submitted herewith.

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